





Application No:

GB 9913656.6

Claims searched: All

Examiner:

Al Strayton

Date of search:

16 November 1999

Patents Act 1977
Search Report under Section 17

## **Databases searched:**

UK Patent Office collections, including GB, EP, WO & US patent specifications, in:

UK Cl (Ed.Q): H4P: PPS; PSB

Int Cl (Ed.6): H04L

Other: ONLINE: EPODOC

## Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Identity of document and relevant passage		Relevant to claims
Α	EP 0 851 624 A2	(SHARP)	
A	WO 95/14971 A1	(MOTOROLA)	
A	WO 92/10893 A1	(IBM)	
Α	WO 91/10289 A1	(CODEX) [=US 5 130 993]	

& Member of the same patent family

- A Document indicating technological background and/or state of the art.
- P Document published on or after the declared priority date but before the filing date of this invention.
- E Patent document published on or after, but with priority date earlier than, the filing date of this application.

X Document indicating lack of novelty or inventive step

Y Document indicating lack of inventive step if combined with one or more other documents of same category.